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Note by the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General has the honour to transmit to the members of the General Assembly and of the Security Council a letter dated 2 July 1992 addressed to him by the Director General of the International Atmomic Energy Agency concerning his report to the Board of Governors of the Agency on non-compliance with safeguards obligations (see annex).

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ANNEX

Letter dated 2 July 1992 from the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency to the Secretary-General

On 29 April 1992, the authorities in Romania submitted a special report to the International Atomic Energy Agency requesting it to conduct a special inspection as a result of their discovery that, during the time of the former regime in Romania, laboratory-scale research studies on certain aspects of nuclear fuel reprocessing had been conducted without having been declared to the Agency.

In conformity with article XII.C of the Statute of the Agency, I reported to the Agency's Board of Governors at its 783rd meeting, on 17 June 1992, that the special inspection carried out by the Agency confirmed that such experiments had in fact taken place in December 1985 and had resulted in the separation of approximately 100 milligrams of plutonium. I reported further to the Board that, under the agreement concluded between Romania and the Agency for the application of safeguards (INFCIRC/180), this should have been reported to the Agency, and that, until the present Romanian Government on its own initiative did so, this had not been done.

The Board of Governors took note of my report of non-compliance. On the basis of the report, the Board indicated that it was satisfied that corrective action had been taken, and expressed its appreciation to the Romanian Government for having brought the matter to the attention of the Agency upon discovery of the non-compliance. The Board further decided that, in accordance with article XII.C of the Statute, which requires the Board of the Agency to report non-compliance with safeguards obligations to the Security Council and the General Assembly of the United Nations, the matter be reported to the Council and the Assembly for information purposes. I should, therefore, be grateful if you would bring this letter to the attention of the Security Council and of the General Assembly.

(Signed) Hans BLIX
Director General